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IN DEFENSE

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Sometimes,
when pressed to justify
the “Why?” or “Why not?”
of a given situation,
I fall back on that timeworn phrase
“Just because...”
and sometimes,
if I’m lucky,
that will satisfy the questioner
and he will go away
and thus I will have saved
from his close and critical scrutiny
the gossamer structure
of my rationale.